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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Rikke MIKKELSEN, Kaj Hovhave NIELSEN, Niels Ravn SCHMIDT, Per Henrik Ertebjerg CHRISTENSEN
A METHOD FOR PRODUCING CHEWING GUM GRANULES AND COMPRESSED GUM PRODUCTS, AND A CHEWING GUM GRANULATING SYSTEM
Assignee: GUMLINK A/S
Our Ref. Q76406

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 35 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and 1 sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

Prior to calculation of fee, Applicants respectfully request that the Preliminary Amendment

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	48	-	20	=	28	x	\$18.00	=	\$504.00
Independent claims	3	-	3	=		x	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$750.00

TOTAL FEE **\$1254.00**

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1254.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Europe	03388031.1	May 6, 2003



The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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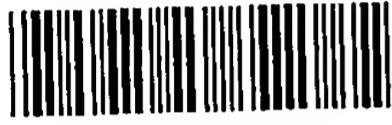
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